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Council of Mayors Executive Committee Minutes

January 29, 2013 Meeting CMAP Offices – Cook County Conference Room

Executive Committee and Elected Officials Present

Mayor Jeffery Schielke, Chairman; President Dave Brady; President Rodney Craig; President Mike Einhorn; Mayor Larry Hartwig; Mayor Jim Holland; President Larry Keller; President Al Larson; Mayor John Mahoney; Mayor Arlene Mulder; Mayor Leon Rockingham; President William Rodeghier; Mayor Jeffrey Sherwin; Mayor George Van Dusen; Mayor Eugene Williams.

Others Present

Allison Bos, Lenny Cannata, Brian Carlson, Bruce Christensen, Joe Costello, Chalen Daigle, John Donovan, Patrick Higgins, Josh McCluskey, Jim Mitchell, Tam Kutzmark, Hugh O'Hara, Andy Plummer, Chad Riddle, Chris Staron, Mike Sullivan, Thomas Vander Woude, Mike Walczak, Tammy Wierciak

CMAP Staff Present

Patricia Berry, Garrett Ballard-Rosa, Randy Blankenhorn, Ylda Capriccioso, Teri Dixon, Doug Ferguson, Don Kopec, Matt Maloney, Holly Ostdick, Joy Schaad, Simone Weil

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chairman Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was determined to be present.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Mayor Schielke announced the formation of the MAP-21 Subcommittee by the MPO Policy Committee to keep abreast of the policies resulting from MAP-21 and the impact of MAP-21 on this region. Also, announced was an orientation for mayors will be held in the fall of 2013 by Metropolitan Mayors Caucus. A piece on the Council of Mayors will be included at the orientation.

Mr. Kopec announced that in MAP-21, the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) combines and replaces the Transportation Enhancements, Safe Routes to Schools and Recreational Trails programs. There is \$29 million for Illinois and \$1.5 million that has been allotted to IDNR, who will handle the selection of recreational trails projects. There is discussion of distributing a

share of the funds for programing by Transportation Management Areas (MPOs over 200,000 population) and spending the remainder anywhere in the state with IDOT completing the programming. CMAP's MAP-21 Subcommittee will develop a recommendation for the process for applications and ranking of our share of the TAP funds. If the MPO Policy Committee and CMAP Board endorse a process at their March meetings, it will be operational by summer.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – November 13, 2012

On a motion by Mayor Mulder and a second by Mayor Hartwig, the minutes of the November 13, 2012 meeting were approved as presented.

4.0 Transportation Programming Updates/Action Items

4.1 Local Roads Update/STP Expenditure Report

Mr. Riddle reported that 17 of 18 projects on the January letting were awarded, the March letting has 20 projects targeted, but it appears 4 will be delayed. For the April letting, currently there are 56 projects with plans submitted, but it is too soon to predict how many will meet all the required milestones to be advertised. CMAP's STP expenditure report was distributed for the committee's reference.

4.2 Updated 2013 to 2017 STP-L Marks

Ms. Ostdick reported that revised allotments have been received from IDOT, which takes into account MAP-21 funding levels and STP-L Marks for FFY 2013-17 have been updated. She noted that there may be further changes to the marks table as the implementation of MAP-21 is worked out. On a motion by Mayor Mulder and a second by Mayor Keller, the Executive Committee approved the updated STP-L marks.

4.3 Advance Funding Requests

Staff from the Central, McHenry and DuPage Councils made requests for advanced funding in the amount of \$1,178,213, \$3,864,000 and \$1,135,154 (federal), respectively. On a motion by Mayor Van Dusen and a second by Mayor Craig, the Executive Committee approved the advance funding requests.

4.4 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program/Council of Mayors Expenditures and Call for Projects

Mr. Ferguson provided an update on the CMAQ Program. He reported that project applications are due on February 8 for FFY 2014-2018. It is planned that staff analysis, CMAP Committee review and public comment will be completed for an October 9, 2013 CMAP Board/MPO Policy Committee consideration for approval. He also reported that the October 2012 status review of projects with work phases in FY 2012 and 2013 resulted in 24 projects having funds deferred due to missed accomplishment goals. He said that the region has a \$150 million

plus unobligated balance and a \$120 million dollar obligation target for FFY 2013 which ends September 30th. Staff and the CMAQ committee will monitor progress and take appropriate actions to be sure that enough of the projects are obligated in 2013. Mayor Einhorn asked if we are still under threat of funding rescission and Mr. Ferguson explained that yes, losing funds through rescission is still an important consideration and that, along with the pressing need for transportation project accomplishment, are the reasons that CMAQ programming and management policies continue to evolve.

4.5 Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Update (Patricia Berry)

Ms. Berry reported that with the 2010 census, the Chicago urbanized area boundary has been extended to include Plano and Sandwich in southeast DeKalb County. Per federal regulations, the MPO's metropolitan planning area must encompass the entire urbanized area. Meetings were held with officials in Plano, Sandwich, and DeKalb County. Participants included municipal officials, planning liaisons, county engineers, and IDOT and FHWA staff. The intent is to include the minimum area for which data is readily available. It is anticipated that a recommendation to include Sandwich and Somonauk townships in DeKalb County to CMAP's Metropolitan Planning Area will be brought to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee at their March meetings. The newly added area will participate in the Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors.

5.0 Functional Class Revisions

Mr. Mitchell, a consultant to IDOT, provided a description of the process to change the functional classification of a roadway. He gave examples of appropriate justification for making such changes and pointed out that making the roadway eligible for federal funding is not an acceptable justification. His PowerPoint presentation, including the "top 5" issues they have encountered resulting in the denial of functional classification change requests, is posted with the meeting agenda.

6.0 FY 2014 UWP -Transportation Planning Funds

Ms. Daigle reported that the Planning Liaison (PL) program is funded with Federal Metropolitan Planning funds, as allocated in the Unified Work Program (UWP). Local matching funds are provided by each local Council. The PL Program receives funds to assist CMAP, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for northeastern Illinois, in meeting Federal transportation planning requirements. She directed the Mayors attention to the proposed application for FY 2014 funding in the agenda packet which request's a 2.7% funding increase over FY 2013. On a motion by Mayor Hartwig and a second by Mayor Larsen, the FY 2014 UWP application was approved as presented.

7.0 Get America To Work Coalition

Joe Costello, the Executive Director of the RTA, explained RTA's effort to advocate for the capital funding necessary to bring all of America's public transit systems into a state of good repair. The Get America to Work Coalition has been formed to focus on

creating widespread awareness of this need and will focus on getting federal legislation to improve the nation's investment in transit. Mayor Hartwig asked what a typical farebox recovery rate is. Mr. Costello responded that 50% is a requirement in northeast Illinois, but nationally 25% to 33% is common. On a motion by Mayor Mulder and a second by President Rodeghier the Committee voted to join the *Get America to Work Coalition*.

8.0 Industry Cluster Drill Down Report: Manufacturing

Mr. Ballard-Rosa and Ms. Weil discussed CMAP's second industry cluster drill down report, the first focused on freight and this is on manufacturing. The report, which will be available February 26, identifies major issues affecting our region's future competitive advantage. They reported that our region lost one third of its manufacturing jobs between 2001 and 2010; but measured by output, we are still second in the nation and we expect production levels to increase. They summarized the major findings of this report, which identifies challenges and opportunities in the areas of infrastructure, innovation, and workforce and identifies the drivers of success.

Mayor Einhorn stated that three key barriers to attracting and keeping manufacturers are the high cost of unemployment insurance and workman's compensation in IL and the poor fiscal health of Illinois. Mayor Schielke added that a reality is that manufacturers often use part time workers to avoid paying for all the state's mandated benefits. He pointed out that with a gubernatorial election coming up; this is a good time to focus attention on the matter.

9.0 Municipal Survey Update

Ms. Heringa reported on the 2012 municipal survey which measured progress in implementing GO TO 2040 and helped identify issues for which municipalities see a need for more information. This helps set CMAPs' work plan. Sixty percent of the 184 municipalities that responded reported that they have a comprehensive plan and 30 had done a significant update or have written a new comprehensive since 2010. Responses to the survey indicate there is large amount of interest in learning more about energy efficiency and conservation issues. Analysis is still ongoing. Staff will report more on findings when the report is finalized.

10.0 State Legislative Framework & Agenda

Ms. Capriccioso provided an update on the CMAP's state legislative framework, legislative agenda and policy priorities for the 2013 legislative session.

11.0 Other Business

Chairman Schielke reported that both federal and state EPAs are promulgating storm water management regulations. While worthy in intention, the effect is driving up costs; sometimes to the point that the project gets canceled. Soil testing, hazardous materials and vehicle emission standards are issues. The new regulations appear to make it difficult for a municipality to purchase fire trucks or other emergency response

vehicles under the new standards. Mayor Schielke requested that more information on the impact of these new regulations be presented at the next meeting.

12.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

13.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for May 21.

14.0 Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.